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A CHILDREN'S GARDEN

On Sunday, April 12, 2015, the City of Norman Children's Rights Commission in conjunction with area child abuse prevention and treatment agencies will host "A Children's Garden: Raising Awareness for Child Abuse Prevention." The event, held this year at Andrews Park during Child Abuse Prevention Month, seeks to draw attention to the issue of child abuse and celebrate childhood through art and music.

Participants will decorate garden plots using symbols for abuse awareness, such as pinwheels, blue ribbons, and other items associated with childhood; agencies will also be on hand to provide information to adults about child abuse prevention and treatment.

In addition to viewing the garden installations, children and adults will be invited to visit the art station to create a pinwheel or blue ribbon of their own to be placed in the Growing Garden, a community garden plot.

Jolene Ring, Event Chair and Commissioner on the Children Rights Commission, stated, "Each year, those of us directly connected to child abuse prevention look for ways to combine our efforts for even greater awareness. The Children's Garden offers the opportunity to raise awareness about child abuse while celebrating the joys of a happy, healthy childhood. We expect this event to grow each year and look forward to sharing our work with the community."

A Children's Garden: Raising Awareness for Child Abuse Prevention is a one-day event on April 12, 2015, that will be held from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm at Andrews Park located at 201 W. Daws Street in Norman. Enjoy music, and snacks will be provided.

For more information, contact Jolene Ring at (405) 201-5348 or jerdok@aol.com.

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